

Hanford Site

Integration Project Expert Panel

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Topics Covered

- Hanford Site Outcomes and Implementation
- Overview of Detailed Work Plan for FY01
- Vadose Zone Monitoring
- Approaches to Inventory
- Update on Characterization Results and Plans
- Groundwater Remediation



Overall Observations

- IPEP appreciates talents and hard work of IP management and staff.
- IPEP appreciates feedback received from January Closeout Report.
- Integration Project has stimulated broader thinking on integration at Hanford.
- IPEP is pleased with visible efforts to balance obtaining new data with mining "old" data.



Hanford Site Outcomes

Observations

- On-going effort is an excellent start
- Vision has integrated concerns of many groups
- Good progress still long way to go
- Integration is essential at Hanford
- Integration Project can play a key role

Recommendation

 Outcomes effort should be completed and implemented as a Data Quality Objectives effort at Hanford.



Detailed Work Plan - 01

Observations

Strategy and changes being proposed seem reasonable

Recommendation

Proceed as scheduled



Vadose Zone Monitoring

Observations

- Studies on recharge rates have been valuable.
 Have shown importance of vegetation
- Vadose zone flow tests (Sisson and Lu) well designed.
- Cooperation with scientists at five national labs, very good.
- Gamma logging has some potential to assess transport rates.
- Power of long-term monitoring clearly demonstrated in analysis of gross-gamma logs.



Vadose Zone Monitoring (continued)

Recommendations

- Specific recharge rate studies at specific sites.
- Revegetation to reduce recharge in disturbed areas
- Transport emphasis for the field flow tests.
- Like to see planning effort on future vadose zone monitoring.



Approaches to Inventory

Observations

- Presentation was first step Thanks!
- Next step more quantitative presentation
- Kriging has reached limits of usefulness

Recommendations

- Provide more on inventory analysis
- No further funding of kriging re: gamma logs



Update on Characterization

Observations

- Applaud slant-borehole efforts
 - significant tool for future
- B-BX-BY Plan is excellent
 - case made for vertical borehole
- Data from W23-19 have promise
 - many applications
 - including S&T
- Pleased to see 5-year projection

Update on Characterization (continued) Recommendations

- Do not retreat from 5-year plan
- Keep on track with field characterization
- W23-19 Report looking forward to it!



Remediation

Observations

- Mature program
- Pump and Treat limitations understood
- Evolving long-term strategy
- ISRM implemented
- Risks associated with PITT
- Carbon tet, not characterized in North Zone

Recommendations

- Characterize Carbon tet. source and plume in North Zone
- Peer review PITT Test
- Quantify effectiveness of plume control, discuss and publish